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AREA RESIDENTS ALREADY EXPERIENCING PROBLEMS

Citizens voice opposition to rezoning

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The Elba Planning and Zoning Board met Thursday night to consider a request from Roland Powell to rezone property on Tucker Street and Martin Luther King Drive from R-3 to R-4.

The Elba city ordinances define that as allowing Powell to place mobile homes on land presently zoned for duplex apartments. There has been considerable debate over the definition of a mobile home park, since the plan is to park more than one mobile home on the disputed property.

Chairman Bill Brunson opened the hearing with an explanation of the powers of the board, the limitations of R-4 zoning and problems with some outdated wording in the present zoning laws.

After an emotional meeting, where area residents expressed strong opposition to the change and Mr. Powell assured the board members he would police the behavior of his tenants personally, it was determined there was not a quorum present to allow a vote on the issue. He explained this would allow the board to only pass on to the city council their findings and let the council members make any decision they see fit to make in this matter.

Present for the meeting in addition to Brunson were Everett Kelley, Lamar Wilson, City Clerk Henry Clark and Pat Powell.

Mrs. Powell is the wife of Roland Powell and therefore could not participate in the voting because of her conflict of interest. Clark said he was there only to record the happenings and not as a voting member. This left only three voting members and Brunson declared this was not a legal quorum.

After the meeting Clark expressed concern over some of the problems expressed by area residents and promised city officials would be looking into them immediately.

Protesting residents said mobile homes devalue property, they have problems with residents of mobile homes already in the area afraid to sit on front porch already; live alone and dread the people who might live in them because I know what they have down the street; I work and need my sleep; problems with an apartment house he (Powell) owns in the neighborhood; parties start and last until 4 a.m.; It's already rough and I don't need more rough ones; could stand on my front porch and see anything you can see on TV or anywhere; etc. One lady said, "I got me a big old dog, but they just made friends with him."

Brunson asked the protesters, "If it was limited to a maximum of four trailers, would your objections be the same?" The response was a solid YES.

One protester asked board members if they wanted four mobile homes parked on their property.

Mrs. Powell passed out to board members copies of a petition she said was signed by area residents who did not oppose the rezoning. A protester said most of those names were of people who already rented from the Powells and were not area property owners. "they can just move away if it gets too bad."

Another protester said there is a difference in owning your own trailer or live in and owning one to rent out.



ELBA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S PATROL FLEET LOOKING BETTER...Police Chief Jack Parker is pictured above with four of the department's newest patrol units. One of Chief Parker's main concerns when he took over two years ago was to "get his men some good dependable patrol cars." Last year, the city council approved the purchase of two patrol cars and the Chief got two 1993 Ford's equipped with a police package. Just a few weeks ago, another two new patrol units were purchased at a cost of \$26,328.00. They are 1994 Ford's with the same equipment as the 1993's. The funding for these latest additions to the police department came from the \$33,954.91 obtained from the U. S. Justice Department. Chief Parker was able to acquire this money due to the fact that Patrol Sgt. L.C. Cook assisted former Alabama State Trooper R. W. Whitworth in a half million dollar drug bust in the Curtis Community. Parker hopes to include in the next fiscal year's budget for the city another new patrol car. His plans are to continue this procedure in the following years. Approximately 50,000 miles are put on the cars annually, and according to the Chief, the cars, for safety reasons, should be replaced after they have 100,000 miles on them. For the present, Chief Parker states that the department has "good, dependable transportation."

IRS looking for taxpayers

It's that time of the year again when the Internal Revenue Service attempts to return undelivered federal tax refunds.

Lorenzo VanPelt, Acting District Director of IRS in Alabama, states that 917 refund checks totaling \$454,805 ranging from as little as \$1.00 to as much as \$18,423 were returned by the Postal Service as undeliverable in Alabama.

Those taxpayers who feel they are due a federal tax refund should call the IRS.

An incorrect mailing address is a common reason for an undelivered tax refund. Sometimes a taxpayer relocates after filing for a refund and neglects to leave a forwarding address with the post office and the IRS.

Address changes can be made directly on the pre-filled label of your '95 tax package, or you may write the IRS Service Center (listed in the tax package) where your last return was filed. IRS Form 8822, "Change of Address," can be completed and mailed as well. Call 1-800-829-3676 to order the form.

Another way taxpayers can be more assured of receiving their refunds is to file electronically. Refunds can be electronically deposited in the taxpayer's bank account.

For additional information on undelivered refunds, call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040.

SEWER LAGOON RECEIVES PASSING GRADE

Elba W & E Board rejects waterline bid

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The regular monthly meeting of the Elba Water & Electric Board was held Tuesday night, October 11th. Engineer Bobby Lee told board members of bid overrun on the proposed water line installation. The line is to connect from the Elba well at Pea River to the line being installed for county residents along the Brundage Highway.

There was a considerable overrun from the lone bidder on the project and the board voted to reject the bid and review the project later.

One option being considered is renting equipment, hiring more workers and installing the pipe "in-house."

Lee explained they could still furnish water to the new customers, however the pressure would be very low and at times might even disappear.

Water Supervisor Dennis Coleman reported a required test had shown a trace of Ethel Benzene and required retesting. He said the second test was clear. However, the bad test requires the expense of repeat testing for 12 months.

The board approved a request from Electric Supervisor Jeff Puckett to build a \$4,200 shed to shelter the new bucket truck.

An effort to replace an employee who had left the water department deadlocked. Coleman recommended rehiring a former worker whose termination resolved around drug use and testing.

Board member Bill Brunson asked about the conditions the board placed on any rehiring at the time of termination.

The matter was tabled until the old minutes could be researched to insure the board followed it's own rules.

The board approved sharing with the city the cost of rewriting the 1985 personnel manual.

Chairman Gladys Yelverton asked City Clerk Henry Clark why attorney bills approved two months ago have not been paid. Clark couldn't answer, but promised to look into the matter.

Mrs. Yelverton also suggested Administrative Assistant Pat Boothe be used to help collect bad debt accounts. She noted this was included in her job description presented to the board several months ago.

It was agreed they would use any avenue possible to collect money owed to the utility department.

AEC plans to lower Gantt Lake

The water level of Gantt Lake will be lowered from three to four feet starting November 1 for a minimum of three weeks, officials of Alabama Electric (AEC) announced today.

AEC has awarded a contract for the construction of a new boat ramp and Fish Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Burgess encouraged local property owners to help communicate the co-op's plans to those who live outside the Andalusia and Covington County area but who own property around Gantt Lake.

tion is being given to allow planning for this type of maintenance work.

While the construction is anticipated to take about three weeks, Burgess said the timetable will probably be affected by the weather.

The construction of the boat ramp is a joint effort of AEC and the Game and Fish Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

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LITTLE MISS ELBA ANNA MARIE HARRISON will compete in the Little Miss National Peanut Festival Pageant on Tuesday, October 25, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. in Dohan at the Civic Center. She is the daughter of Sherry and Danny Harrison. Friends and other interested supporters may attend this event which is open to public.

Checkpoints target drunken drivers on Alabama roadways

Governor Jim Folsom's DUI (Driving Under the Influence) Task Force, in partnership with city, county and state law enforcement officers throughout Alabama, is launching a new program designed to crack down on drunken drivers.

Checkpoint Alabama, a year-long sobriety checkpoint blitz, was announced during a news conference in Montgomery Tuesday, October 11, 1994.

Checkpoint Alabama is a combined effort of law enforcement agencies to reduce drunken driving and alcohol-related traffic accidents by conducting sobriety checkpoints throughout the state during the next 12 months.

"Our goal for this project is to bring about a significant decrease in alcohol related fatalities and an increase in DUI arrests," said Col.

Robert M. Patterson, Public Safety acting director.

Patterson said Checkpoint Alabama signifies an on-going commitment to intensive enforcement of Alabama's DUI laws and the reduction of alcohol-related traffic accidents, deaths and injuries.

He said that each year hundreds of fatalities on Alabama roadways result from drunken driving.

In 1993, at least 325 people lost their lives in alcohol-related accidents on the state's roadways.

Governor's DUI Task Force chairman Captain Bill Henderson said the task force supports the goals of Checkpoint Alabama and will continue to promote other enforcement, educational and legislative proposals to curb drunken driving in Alabama.

** HAPPENINGS **

V.O.C.A.L. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING TONIGHT There will be a Crime Victims Support Group meeting Thursday (tonight), October 20, 1994 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the class room at the Elba Fire Department. There will be an election of officers for the newly formed Victims Of Crime And Larceny (V.O.C.A.L.) Chapter in Coffee County. The group will also discuss starting and progressing the group's movement for crime victim's rights. All interested persons are encouraged to attend this meeting. For more information, one of the following persons can be called: Detret Skinner @ 393-4314; Bama Whitehead @ 897-5808; or Danny or Sandra Jordan @ 897-6896.

FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL The Elba Tigers play Laverne in Laverne; Zion Chapel vs Arlton at Arlton; Kinston plays New Brocton in Kinston; and Brantley plays Highland Home in Highland Home. Starting time for all games is 7:30 p.m.

SELECTIVE SERVICE AWARENESS MONTH Governor Jim Folsom has declared October as Selective Service Awareness month. He stated that the State of Alabama enacted legislation requiring registration with Selective Service as prerequisite for young men to be eligible for enrollment in any state postsecondary institution for higher learning, and/or employment by the state, to include promotion or reclassification to a higher position. There are 257,893 Alabamians ages 18 to 25 already registered.

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

We agree with the court settlement on the additional appellate court judges in Alabama. Leaders in the Republican Party are howling and claiming district elections for judges would be better and some newspaper editorials are agreeing ... we ain't. We don't believe a person elected from a particular district is the best way to get a judge who must decide on things statewide. Let all Alabamians vote on all 19 appellate court judges instead of just one per court, by district. We suspect the real reason for the Republican howling is they feel establishing minority districts would increase the chances of Republican candidates in the other districts. We are not interested in electing one party or the other ... just good judges. Our thinking is that if the minority justice appointed doesn't measure up and his or her opponent is a better prospect, all Alabama voters can make a change on election day. This approved settlement ends the election lawsuit and gives several minority lawyers a chance to prove his or her judicial credentials. Hey, there is no doubt we will survive, whomever is appointed!

The Elba City Council last week declined to change the earmarked gasoline tax from the schools to the general fund. While the city general fund desperately needs the money, and this would have a short range relief, a problem would soon arise in local school funding. All the experts we have talked with expect any final ruling on the school funding lawsuit now before the courts to include a minimum amount of local property tax plus a certain amount of other taxes to equal a total equivalency of 20 mills on the appraised property in the school district. Presently the City of Elba fills that minimum requirement, if you include the recently added 45% of the one cent sales tax. Cut out the 2¢ gasoline tax and Elba voters would soon be faced with a court order to put in some more taxes for the school system. (They might even suggest Elba pay part of the lawsuit cost also.)

No football fan who watched any of several games last Saturday can say the sport has lost its zip, especially the Auburn-Florida shootout or the Alabama-Tennessee game. Those of us couch potatoes who managed to see both games probably still record a slight increase in blood pressure from the excitement and closeness of the battles. Since Saturday there has been a good bit of coach bashing hurled at Florida's Steve Spurrier. Of course he brings a lot of that on himself but maybe not quite as much as Alabama residents have given him. Regardless, this might be a good time to adapt the Bible quote from Proverbs which tells us, "and he who has knowledge, spurs his words." We might be smart to adapt it to say "and he who has real football ability, shuts his mouth."

We attended a zoning board meeting last Thursday night. Several people had called expressing their frustrations at having to keep going back to city hall protesting the same zoning matter. They urged us to attend, saying ... well saying a lot of strong emotions were expressed at another meeting on the same rezoning proposal recently. We went and yes the emotions were still strong. There was no name calling at the meeting we attended, even though several reported it had happened at the previous gathering. Rezoning has always been a very emotional thing to the people directly involved and it does not appear to be changing any time soon, not in Elba anyway. The Elba City Council is considering a major revision of the present zoning ordinances and this is probably long past due. However, no rewrite, regardless of how long or how short, can remove the emotions from the question of rezoning as long as human beings are involved.

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FROM THE HOUSE

Congressman
Terry Everett

Saddam Places a White House Wake-Up Call

Last week as the standoff with Iraq's Saddam Hussein forced the White House to consider U.S. military forces to the Persian Gulf region, President Clinton and his top aides should have gotten a wake-up call.

As the old saying goes, "the chickens are coming home to roost." At issue is not so much Saddam, but the decline of U.S. prestige abroad and an irresponsible attitude toward preserving our national defense.

Today, we have a White House making drastic cuts in our national defense while speaking to the world without a single or consistent voice. It is therefore no surprise that the dictators and despots of the world are finding it more fashionable to thumb their noses at America.

Just look at the defiance of Somalia's General Aidid, of Serbia's Milosevic, North Korea's Kim dynasty, China's aged communist aristocrats, not to mention the latest - Saddam.

A Washington-based foreign policy think tank, the Center for Security Policy, recently said it best. "The United States is no longer seen as a deterrent to aggressive agendas; to the contrary, its hapless policies are now inviting and rewarding them."

The think tank group also makes a good point about the lessons the White House is now painfully learning. For one, the United States could very well find itself engaged in two simultaneous regional conflicts in distant parts of the globe. With the colossal defense cuts now underway, successfully managing and supporting

ing this kind of military challenge becomes less and less feasible. Looking at the instability of the present world, our weakened defense posture isn't a wise course for the future.

This is week four of Operation Uphold Democracy in Haiti, where we have 20,000 American troops stationed in a nation building operation. Nearly 64,000 U.S. soldiers are also on their way to the Persian Gulf to keep Saddam at bay.

Meanwhile, North Korea is developing strategic nuclear weapons and Rwanda, Bosnia and Somalia continue to warrant the presence of multi-national peacekeeping forces.

On the home front, the White House charges on with its plan to cut our military force structure from 2.1 million uniformed personnel down to 1.5 million by 1998. It is mothballing ships and halting research of new aircraft. Already 250 military bases have been closed and another 100 have been realigned since 1988. That doesn't include the 918 overseas installations that have been reduced in size or closed altogether.

Federal budget cuts are justified and necessary, but defense cuts have reached the bone. We cannot go any further.

The president's disinterest in security policy, the dismantling of defense and his chronic inability to define and stick to a reasoned course of action in international affairs have left American interests around the world dangerously exposed. I hope the White House heeds its wake-up call. There may not be another.

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To The Editor:

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Mr. Spicer has been one of the best instructors I have ever had. He has provided me and others in the class with the instruction we needed in the classroom to learn the "book sense" for air conditioning/refrigeration work. Additionally, he has provided individual attention to those who needed extra help, and the hands on experience to polish our technical skills.

Mr. Spicer is an excellent instructor who is devoted to his students. I have always found him to be helpful and accessible, even though he is a candidate, and now the Democratic nominee, for State Representative.

I believe Terry Spicer is the people's candidate and would provide the same accessibility and helpfulness that he does in the classroom. And he has proven that he is fully capable of doing his job at MacArthur, while maintaining a rigorous campaign schedule.

We need more people like Terry Spicer in the legislature and in the classroom.

Sincerely,
Succell Vickery
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Dear Editor,

I am a victim of crime. My mother, Ella Foy Riley, was murdered May 21, 1990. She was murdered in her own home giving a drink of ice

water to a man and his drug buddy. The guy had been cutting grass for mother that year. They came to borrow money for another crack cocaine fix. She didn't have the money to loan. She was on a fixed income and knew what she had that was needed to get through the month. They stabbed her and took her purse. Our family never thought anything like this would ever happen....not to our family in the small town of Abbeville....but it did. I am asking for support of A Victim's Right Constitutional Amendment. Please vote "yes" in November for Amendment #3.

The amendment is as follows: "Crime victims, as defined by law or their lawful representatives including the next of kin of homicide victims, are entitled to the right to be informed, to be present, and to be heard when authorized, at all crucial stages of criminal proceedings, to the extent that these rights do not interfere with the constitutional rights of the person accused of committing the crime."

"Don't wait to become a victim to learn the criminal has all the rights and ask the question from II Kings 9:32 "Who is on my side? Who?"

Patricia Riley Jones
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Dear Friends in Elba,
At this time of adversity in my life, it is a great consolation to feel your prayers, love, and concern. I am humble and most grateful. A special thanks to Elba's own Dr. Glen Beshole and his family.

Betty B. Dorsey

AREA DEATHS

ANDY BELL BULLARD

Andy Bell Bullard, age 33 of Dallas, Texas, formerly of Elba, Alabama, died Friday, October 14, 1994 in Dallas, TX.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p.m., Monday, October 17, 1994 from the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Billy Henderson officiating.

Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba, AL, with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Survivors include his parents, William J. "Bill" and Anne Bullard of Elba, AL; his maternal grandparents, C.J. and Susan Bell of Elba, AL; his paternal grandparents, Edna and Gladys Bullard of Elba, AL.

MELVIN D. MOORE

Melvin D. Moore, age 54 of Birmingham, Alabama, formerly of Opp, AL, died Friday, October 14, 1994 in Birmingham, AL.

Mr. Moore was a veteran of the Armed Forces. Funeral services were held at Monday, October 17, 1994 from the Rainer Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Kermit Bowers officiating.

Burial followed in the New Home Cemetery, Basin Community, AL, with Rainer Funeral Home directing. Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth and Brenda (Duncan) Moore; a daughter, Sherrie Milburn; his father, T.V. Moore; four sisters, Orpha Sullivan, Margaret Burditt, Betty Hardy, and Reitha DeLoera; two brothers, Earl Potter and Bobby Moore; and 2 granddaughters.

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Elba Marching Tiger Band wins it all

Pride and jubilation were the scene Saturday night as the members of the Elba High School "Marching Tiger Band" celebrated their First Place finish at the 14th Annual Little Big Horn Contest in Opp. The Tigers managed to get by a field of ten other bands to win the "Best in Class" title.

Although the Elba group scored an overall Superior rating last week at the Patriot Band Festival in Pace, Florida, this week's victory marks what some feel is the band's return to its standard-setting place among other marching bands. Despite the fact that this group of students is barely half the size of those great Elba bands of the seventies and eighties, Saturday night's win proves that this group of young people possess that proud Elba winning spirit.

According to Band Director Jeff Ellis, Elba's victory was somewhat unexpected. "We knew we had the potential to place in the top four, which in itself is an accomplishment with so many bands competing, but I wasn't sure we could get past the fine Zion Chapel, Slocomb, and New Brockton bands. This victory means a lot if you consider the fact that we competed in the class with the most bands." According to Ellis, most marching competitions usually consist of only ten to fifteen bands for all the classes. Elba's class is determined by the number of players. "With eleven bands in our class alone you can see why some band directors consider Opp the most band championship of South Alabama." Also scoring Superior ratings for Elba in the auxiliary categories were the percussion section, color guard and dance line, which captured "Best Dance Line in Class" honors.

Since Ellis and Elementary Band Director Tom Maddox took over last year, the band has scored four consecutive overall Superior ratings, four straight dance line Superiors, and three consecutive Superiors in both color guard and percussion. The band has also scored two "Best in Class" dance line awards and one "Best in Class" band award.

The "Marching Tigers" will continue their competition schedule October 29th. Come out and support your "Marching Tiger Band".

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1994 Elba High Homcoming Parade winners announced

The 1994 Homecoming Parade winners were:

Category I: first place - 2nd grade; second place - 10th grade; third place - 9th grade.

Category II: first place - Pee Wee Football players/cheerleaders; second place - Dinosaur made by children of Church of Christ; third place - Class of 1949.

Elba High School thanks all who participated in the annual homecoming parade. Everyone is a winner.

John Coffee DAR to meet
October 27th

The John Coffee Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Thursday, October 27, 1994, at the home of Carol McGlaugh Mullins at 91 N. Harris, Ft. Rucker, AL, at 3:45 p.m. Members are encouraged to bring something for the Historical Show & Tell.

Jaycees to sponsor Halloween Costume party

The Elba Jaycees will sponsor a Halloween Costume Party and Membership Drive on Friday, October 28, at 8:00 p.m. The party will be held at the Elba Country Club. Persons ages 21-39 are invited to join in the fun.

University of AL ticket line available

The Coffee County Chapter of the University of Alabama National Alumni Association is sponsoring a Ticket Information Line for Bama football games and anyone having tickets to sell may call either of the following numbers: 897-5533 David or Suzi Stokes (evenings) or 897-6056 Jack or Jane Brunson.

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Social Notes

Twentieth Century Study Club meets October 13

The Twentieth Century Study Club met October 13, 1994 at the Elba Public Library with Mrs. Ann Davis and Mrs. Joan Jacobs serving as hostesses. The seventeen members and one guest were served a dessert plate.

Mrs. Carolyn Brunson, president, presided over the meeting and led the members in reading the club's Collect. Mrs. Pam Crittenden, program chairman, introduced Mrs. Sandra Coffey, who is with the Home Extension Service. She gave an interesting program on Kitchen Design. She also shared with the club members some booklets that

will outline the basic principles that can help plan a new or remodeled kitchen. The club voted to participate in the Elba Christmas Festival by having a bake sale.

Those members present were Mrs. Betty Brunson, Mrs. Carolyn Brunson, Mrs. Hughey Clark, Mrs. Pam Crittenden, Mrs. Ann Davis, Mrs. Treva Driscoll, Mrs. Nell Harrison, Mrs. Jane Hudson, Mrs. Joan Jacobs, Mrs. Ann Miles, Mrs. Debra Samuel, Mrs. Martha Frances Stephens, Mrs. Peggy Stroud, Mrs. Grace Taylor, Mrs. Elaine Thompson, Mrs. Betty Vaughan and Mrs. Patsy Williams.

NEW ARRIVAL

Aaron Kip Kahler

Aaron Kip Kahler, the new son of Vonda and Paul Kahler of Enterprise, AL, was born October 10, 1994 at 7:55 a.m., in Enterprise. He weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz. and was 21 1/2 inches long. He has an older sister, Katie, who is 2 1/2 years old.

Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Marler of Elba, AL, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kahler of Amsterdam, New York. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Pearce and Mrs. Maude Gentry, all of Elba, AL.

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Marler-Grimsley United In Marriage August 20th



Mr. & Mrs. Hussey

Couple wed at Coffee County Adult Day Care Center

The Coffee County Health Department Adult Day Care Center in Elba, was the host of a wedding for Margaret Cooper and Earl Hussey. The couple was united in marriage on October 6, 1994 at 1:00 p.m. by Judge Marion Brunson. Friends and family attended with a small reception following.

Plans set for Wiregrass Nursing Home's 11th annual Fall Festival

Wiregrass Nursing Home's 11th Annual Fall Festival will be held Saturday, October 29, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The festival will feature live entertainment, baked goods, and plenty of arts and crafts. There will be plenty of fun for everyone and this will be an excellent opportunity to purchase those special and personal Christmas gifts.

If you are interested in setting up a fundraising exhibit contact Sheila Wood, activity director, at (205) 684-5658, ext. 6421 or (205) 684-9716.

An advanced fee of \$15.00 is required per space (8' x 10') for the day. Booths are available inside or outside. Proceeds from booth sales will go to the activities department of the nursing home.

The Resident's Council of Wiregrass Nursing Home will have a table with special cookbooks made from recipes of the residents. Also, there will be a raffle for a beautiful quilt which is on display inside the nursing home.

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Angela Grimsley and Mart Wayne Marler were united in marriage on Saturday, August 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church in Enterprise.

The Rev. Rex Henderson, pastor, officiated the ceremony. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grimsley of Enterprise, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Marler of Elba.

Guests were welcomed by Mrs. Cindy Brabham of New Brockton and Mrs. Leona Walden of Enterprise.

Donna Smith, cousin of the bride, attended the guest register. Lauren Ailuns and Amber Glaze were the program attendants. Anna Marler, Rae Walker, Laura Allums and Amber Glaze were rice bag attendants.

A program of pre-nuptial and wedding music was presented by Mrs. Susan McGlothlen, pianist, and Mrs. Bethany Fine, soloist.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father, and given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a floor-length gown of white Italian satin trimmed in Battenburg lace. The v-neck and the basque waistline were enhanced by elbow length sleeves. The full skirt and cathedral train were accented with scattered lace motifs.

She wore a waist-length veil of silk bridal illusion gathered around a sequin and pearl crown. Her bouquet was of white and pink roses. Pinned to the bouquet was a handkerchief that belonged to her great-aunt, Mrs. Estelle Watkins.

Tara Owens of Enterprise, served as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Mitzi Yaussey of Warner Robins, Georgia, sister of the groom, Susan Grimsley, cousin of the bride, and Bethany Boland, both of Enterprise; and Carol Cain of Montgomery.

They wore a two-piece suit of Shantique in blush pink and was accented by a key-hole back and elbow length sleeves. The slim floor-length skirt was accented by the peplum affect of the jacket.

Katie Kelley, cousin of the bride of Elba, served as flower girl. She wore a tea-length dress of blush pink.

Wayne Marler, father of the groom, served as Best Man. Ushers and groomsmen were Joey Grimsley, brother of the bride, of Enterprise; Gary Bradshaw of Enterprise; Lisa Ray Hicks, Auburn; Bradshaw of Elba; Ashley Young of Birmingham; and Keith Brown of Orange Beach.

Candidates were Derrick and Dougie Marler, both of Elba, cousins of the groom.

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents hosted a reception in the fellowship hall of the church. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hallford served as honorary hosts.

Reception attendants were Judy Grimsley, aunt of the bride of Enterprise; Cindy Lee and Glenda Allums, cousins of the bride of New Brockton; Libby Kelley of Elba; and Sheila Glaze of Ozark, both cousins of the bride; and Amy Warren of Enterprise.

Following a wedding trip to Ochos Rios, Jamaica, the couple resided in Enterprise.

The Women's Softball Team at Enterprise State Junior College surprised the bride with an ABC Show on Wednesday, May 11.

The ladies of Calvary Baptist Church and friends of the bride hosted a miscellaneous shower on Saturday, June 25, in the fellowship hall of the church.

Effie was the setting for a lingerie shower honoring the bride on July 16. The event was hosted by Bethany Boland, Tara Owens, Amy Warren, Christy Byrd, and Susan Grimsley.

A back-yard fish fry was held at the home of the groom's parents in Elba, Saturday, July 23. The cook-out was enjoyed by the wedding party and family and friends of the couple. It was hosted by Wayne and Judie Marler, parents of the groom. They were assisted by Joe and Sarah Crews, Gerald and Mae Huggins, Charles and Freddie Pearce, and Carol and Rue Marler, aunts and uncles of the groom.

Elba's Tea Room was the setting for a miscellaneous tea on Sunday, July 31. The tea was hosted by Rachelle Byrd, Renita Marler, Rhonda Brunson, Louise Bozman, Carolyn Kelley, Henrietta Grimes, Huey Clark, Mary Grider, Ethelene Tucker, Carolyn Westbrook, Elaine Martin, Elaine Bullard, Betty Adkinson, Betty Brunson, Velma Moore, Peggy Stroud, Ella Jean Vaughan, and Kathy Smith.

A bridesmaid luncheon was held Saturday, August 6, at The Lobby in Enterprise. The luncheon was hosted by Jean Griswold, Martha Byrd, aunts of the bride; Becky Averett and Libby Kelley, cousins of the bride.

A party shower was held August 9 in the home of Mrs. Cindy Brabham, New Brockton.

A bridesmaid party was given for the bride on August 16 at the home of Mrs. Judy Grimsley, aunt of the



Mr. & Mrs. Marler

bride. Other hostesses included Don- Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pearce, aunt na Smith and Susan Grimsley, cousin of the bride, in Elba. Other hostesses included Mrs. Millie McCollough, Mrs. Rue Marler, and Mrs. Karen Brooks.

On the day of the wedding, a goosman luncheon was held in the honor of the groom in the home of

Disaster Relief Feeding Van Training to be offered at Coffee Baptist Association

Disaster Relief Feeding Van training will be held October 21 and 22, 1994 at the Coffee Baptist Association Office. The office is located at 601 East McKinnon (Hwy. 84) in New Brockton, AL. Registration fee is \$10.00 and limited to the first 50 people. Deadline for registration is October 15. To register, send name and check to Coffee Baptist Association, P.O. Box 127, New Brockton, AL 36351. For more information call (205) 894-6411. Training is open to all interested men and women. Red Cross Training will be Friday, October 21, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Van Feeding Training will be held Saturday, October 22, from 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Attendance at both sessions is required for certification.

Azalea Garden Club holds October meeting

The October meeting of the Azalea Garden Club was held in the home of Mrs. Lloyd Crook with Mrs. Patrick O'Riley serving as co-hostess.

Mrs. Bill Brunson, president, presided over the business meeting. Mrs. Oscar Vaughan, Jr., presented an interesting program entitled "The Second Time Around". The drying of plants and flowers to be used in decorative arrangements. She displayed a beautiful basket of dried hydrangea and dried wild flowers.

Members present were: Mrs. Bill Brunson, Mrs. Walter Cox, Mrs. Lloyd Crook, Mrs. Richard Girdler, Mrs. Robert Holliman, Mrs. L.F. Inman, Mrs. R.H. Lee, Mrs. V.D. McCreary, Mrs. Patrick O'Riley, Mrs. Virgil Rogers, Mrs. Oscar Vaughan, Jr., and Mrs. W. Jimmy Wise.

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Brunson-Thompson Wedding held September 24 in Greenville

Rachael Lynn Thompson and Eric Thomas Brunson were united in matrimony on September 24, 1994, at the First Baptist Church in Greenville, Alabama. Dr. Paul McLendon officiated at the 3:00 p.m. service.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Claude Thompson II, of Forest Home and Prattville and the late Shirley Williams Thompson of Forest Home.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Emmett Thomas Brunson and the late Dr. Thomas of Enterprise, Alabama.

A program of wedding music was provided by Rev. and Mrs. Mark Helms, vocalists, Miss Cheryl Denise Lowery, trumpeter, and Mrs. Juanita Foster, organist.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a semi-cathedral length gown of ivory peau de soie satin featuring a V-neckline with a fitted bodice adorned with heavy accented pearls and sequins. Long tapered sleeves were enhanced with sequins and beaded motifs of pearls. A soft ivory tulle veil fell from the headpiece of re-embroidered lace encrusted with pearls.

The bride carried a cascading bouquet of calla lilies, porcelain roses, dendrobium orchids and eucalyptus.

The attendants wore a floral motif dress with a fitted princess waistline and featuring a portrait neckline trimmed with tulle bows.

They carried jewel-toned flowers including rubrum lilies, purple dendrobium orchids, ivory frisia, tube-roses and eucalyptus.

The church was decorated with a massive tree-shaped candelabra encircled with fugi mums, snapdragons, calla lilies, rubrum lilies, larkspur and carnations in jewel tones of magenta, purple and teal. Smaller candle trees holding floral decorations and tall columns from which cascaded fountains of greenery completed the sanctuary setting. The bridal floor design was created by Jo Anne Donnan and Bill Crews of Samson.

Amanda Lynn Lee of Red Level served as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Elizabeth Foye Brunson of Enterprise, sister of the bridegroom; Heather Anne Carlson, Lillburn, Georgia; Kellie Clackley, Greenville; Lisa Ray Hicks, Auburn; Jacqueline Nicole Peavy, Industry, Georgia; Dubert Shoffett, Opelika; Amy Lynn Thome, sister of the bride, Prattville; and Lonnice Michelle Yancey, Auburn.

Emmett Treadwell Brunson, II, served his brother as Best Man. Groomsmen were Forrest Jones Warren and William Harrison Warren, Jr., both cousins of the bridegroom; and Herbert Alexander Barr, Jr., all from Enterprise. Also serving were William Chad Bishop, Gulfport, Mississippi; David Patrick Brunson, cousin of the bridegroom; Troy, Kevin Bancroft, Crampton, Danville, Virginia; Thomas Claude Thompson, III, brother of the bride, Forest Home; and John Thome, Thorne, brother of the bride, Prattville.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church fellowship hall. After a wedding trip to Dunns

River, Jamaica, the couple will be at home in Davenport, Iowa.

Pre-Nuptial Parties
Amanda Lee, Maid of Honor, hosted a lingerie shower in Montgomery on August 6, 1994.

On August 13, 1994, a bridal tea was given in the home of Mrs. Larry Jones in Greenville. Other hostesses were Mrs. Arthur E. Braden, Mrs. Charles Faulkner, Mrs. Edward Lamb, and Mrs. Jeffrey Jones.

On September 8, Mrs. Joe Talmadge, Mrs. Joy Tway, Mrs. Laura McGowan, Mrs. Mike Graham, and Mrs. Joe Herod entertained the bride-to-be with a recipe party in the home of Mrs. Joe Talmadge.

On September 22, Mrs. Emmett Thomas Brunson and friends of the groom hosted a reception at the Enterprise Civic Center to honor the bride couple. Hostesses were: Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Forehand, Mr. and Mrs. Bart Engram, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Denman, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Wise, Mr. and Mrs. James Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Beckman, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Waites, Mr. and Mrs. Burkett Howard, Judge and Mrs. Marion Brunson, Dr. and Mrs. Joe Herod, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Woolley, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Cooter, Lt. Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Ted Averett, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. Jon Chancey, Mrs. Peggy Autrey, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Paul Stewart, Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Roberts, Dr. and Mrs. Windell Vickers, Mrs. Gloria Brunson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Metcalf, Mr. and Mrs. James Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dowling, Mr. and Mrs. James Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Alford, Dr. and Mrs. Montgomery Peden, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Walton, Dr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Searcy, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Moultrie Sessions, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Presley, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Birchfield, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fleming, Dr. and Mr. Jack Mills, Dr. and Mrs. Jack Pugh, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Whitaker, Dr. and Mrs. James Grimes, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Brown-Bryars, Mr. and Mrs. Albert McCreary, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cassidy, Mr. and Mrs. Hob Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Eddins, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stotzy, Mr. and Mrs. Zella Crumpler, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Holland, Dr. and Mrs. James Grimes, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ben Byrd Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Yancey Parker, Lt. Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Henry Quisenberry, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rhodes, Ms. Mildred Routwell, Lt. Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Charles Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Watkins, Hon. and Mrs. Terry Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Colby, Fred Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hill, Ms. Wanda Anderson, Mrs. Barbara Key, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lewis, Ms. Gene Cline, Ms. Ann Day, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lane, Dr. and Mrs. Joe Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shering, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Murdock, Dr. and Mrs. Joe Talmadge, Dr. and Mrs. Tommy Guthrie, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brunson, Mrs. Lister Brunson, Mr. and

Beautant/Debutante Beautillion Meets

The 1994-95 Beautillion Organization of Coffee and Dale Counties met at the First Missionary Baptist Church of Ozark, on October 11 at 10:00 a.m., for the purpose of taking a college entrance exam. The debutantes elected the following officers: MaKasha Young, president; LaCresha Flowers, vice-president; Michelle Harris, secretary; Demetrice Tolliver and Aretha Williams, assistants; Cherelle Adams, Seleta Matthews, and Telecia Young, treasurer; Aisha Carter, chaplain; and Telecia Young, parliamentarian. The members finalized plans for attending Alabama State University and the Masonic Ball in November. The members welcomed two new members, Michelle Harris and Aretha Williams.

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Views From

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Melanie is now learning how to write, and that means that every single piece of paper in the house is hers for the taking. She is writing on my legal pads, her Mom's computer paper, her sister's notebook paper, newspapers and anything she can find that's got room to jot down a few letters. Sometimes it gets a little messy after Melanie has played one of her games and has written for a long time; however, I guess it does beat writing on the walls!

OPEN DATE PROVIDES RETURN TO ROOTS OF THE GAME

The Elba Tigers had an open date last week and that gave me a chance to go watch one of the other teams in our coverage area. Our sportswriters had most of the games already covered, so I went to the Kinston-Coffee Springs game in Coffee Springs, and really enjoyed everything about the visit.

It was homecoming at Coffee Springs, and when I arrived, the queens were coming across the field and the stands on both sides of the field were packed with fans. The home crowd cheered loud for the '94 Queen, and as she learned with pride on the sideline, fireworks exploded in both end-zones and balloons were released on the field. It was quite a show for the Queen and the large crowd from Coffee Springs.

The game was hotly contested from start to finish and the fans from both sides were very vocal in their support of the players, and occasionally in their questioning of a play call by a coach. The cheers far outweighed the jeers; however, it was obvious that the cheers were sincere and appreciated by the players. Most of the players went both ways as is usually the case among smaller schools, and both teams were also filled with youngsters. Kinston had a total of 18 players on their roster in grades 7-9, while Coffee Springs had 9 players in grades 7-9. The youngsters saw quite a bit of action and fought just like the older players.

At halftime the bands took to the field, and in spite of the fact that both schools are Class 1A, both schools had fine marching bands. Kinston had 20 musicians marching, including two football players that slipped out of their pads for the halftime show, while Coffee Springs had 28 musicians, and one football player that joined the ranks. The bands were well drilled and sounded very good, proving that even small schools can have a band and offer music to their students.

One of the teams lost, which is always the case in athletics, but at this level of play there are never any real losers. When small communities can support their schools, and support their youngsters, there is no way anyone loses. Friday night the outcome on the scoreboard told the story of the game that had just been completed; however, it in no way hinted that either team, any player, or any of the schools was a loser. There were nothing but winners at the stadium, from the players, to the coaches, to the band members, to the cheerleaders, to the fans, and to the concession stand and pressbox volunteers. Both Kinston and Coffee Springs should be proud of their schools and their people, they have something to be proud of!

BRANTLEY IS ONLY WINNER AMONG AREA SQUADS

Week #7 of the high school football season wasn't kind to the schools in the local coverage area as only the Brantley Bulldogs were able to claim a win. Here's a short look back at the week that was...

•**BRANTLEY (6-1)** made it look mighty easy as it clobbered the 3A Sloccomb Red Tops 54-14. The Bulldogs were expected to have trouble with the talented Red Tops, a 3A playoff contender, but had no problems what so ever. If the Brantley Bulldogs that showed up Friday night are the real Bulldogs, upcoming opponents had better get ready.

•**NEW BROCKTON (2-5)** got stunned by an under-rated McKenzie team to the tune of 28-8. The Gamecocks had run up big offensive numbers all season and expected to have their way against the 1-4 Tigers, but found out that records mean nothing on the football field, and took it on the chin. It will be interesting to see if the Gamecocks learned anything from the lesson they were taught Friday night.

•**ZION CHAPEL (4-3)** got drilled 35-0 by the Wicksburg Panthers and the Rebels have got to retreat and regroup before they finish out the season. The Rebels have been slowed recently by a rash of injuries to key players and the injuries have hampered practices, which in turn have resulted in losses on Friday nights. The Rebels still have a shot at the playoffs; however, and just have to dig down deep and try to rally.

•**KINSTON (1-6)** was expected to claim its second win of the season against Coffee Springs, but made some minor mistakes that proved fatal and came out on the short end of a 19-12 setback. The Bulldogs play power football and try to pound away at their opponents inside, but last week Coffee Springs had the same plan and their plan worked better. Kinston has some quality players and can win, once they learn how.

THIRD WEEKEND WAS ALSO BIG FOR STATE PREP FANS

The third weekend in October was billed as one of the biggest in years on the college football scene; however, the weekend started Friday night for Alabama high school football fans, and for them it was also quite a weekend of football action. Here's a look back at what happened across the state...

•**CLASS 6A -** The big one in Montgomery saw #1 Robert E. Lee jump ahead early and hold on to knock off #4 Jeff Davis 21-7. The Generals and Vols were both unbeaten going into the annual battle, and you can bet these two will meet again in the playoffs. Northview wrapped up its Area title with a 28-10 win over the slumping Enterprise Wildcats. Enterprise's Coach Bill Bacon was talking big early in the season when the 'Cats were 3-0 and running back Steven Kelly was being billed as the state's top running back, but in the loss to Northview the Wildcats passed the ball 43 times. Maybe it's time to get the football back into the hands of Kelly and let the chips fall where they may.

•**CLASS 5A -** Top-ranked Etowah flexed its muscles in a 42-6 romp over Litchfield, while closer to home Opp needed a late goal-line stand to hold off Hixson, 16-13, and Charles Henderson lost for the second time this season as the Trojans fell hard to Daleville 21-7. Smiths Station drilled Russell County 22-7 and may be the most under-rated team in this class, at least for now.

•**CLASS 4A -** Clearwater County and T.R. Miller showed why they are ranked 1-2 with big wins over Cherokee County 47-6 and Grand Bay 26-0, while in a huge matchup #4 Alexandria upset #3 Lanett 20-13 and made it known that they are title contenders. #5 Pike County improved to 5-2 with a 20-6 win over #6 Abbeville, and while the Bulldogs are beginning to show some power, it's offense may still be too inconsistent for the 'Dogs to be a serious title contender.

•**CLASS 3A -** Top-ranked South Lamar drilled Lamar County 42-14 to go 7-0 on the season, but #5 St. Paul's showed by UMS-Wright 21-6 in a loss that knocked the Saints out of the playoffs. Closer to the house, Luverne jumped out to a 41-0 halftime lead and coasted in with a 48-0 romp over Andalusia, while Louisville's defense improved only slightly in a 49-0 loss to Florida. #8 Catholic, which couldn't contend in the 1A ranks, did go to 7-0 with an impressive 9-6 win over powerful Calhoun.

•**CLASS 2A -** The "King of 2A" fell off its throne as Hazlewood was stunned by Tanner 14-7 in overtime, which should mean that #2 Georgiana will assume the throne after its 55-0 shellacking of a solid Straughn Tiger team. Flomaton remained unbeaten with a big 44-7 over Ernest Ward (he Vern, that's a whipping), and Brantley kept pace as the Bulldogs embarrassed 3A Sloccomb 54-14.

•**CLASS 1A -** #1 Nottawigama remained undefeated with an impressive 29-14 win over #8 Beulah, while second-ranked Arion showed little mercy in its 60-19 clubbing of winless Houston Academy. The Purple Cats have come close several times in the 1A ranks and this season are determined to win it all. #3 Billingsley also had no trouble in a 71-6 romp past lowly Isabella, while #4 Courtland posted a very impressive win over 5A Coffee, of Florence. 14-10. Closer to home, McKenzie got a leg up on an Area title with a 28-8 win over New Brockton and Long took it on the chin 42-0 from Samson.

7-15 IS LUCKY NUMBER FOR STATE COLLEGE TEAMS

I guess seven really is a lucky number, as least as far as Alabama and Auburn are concerned, as both teams claimed big road wins last week to improve to 7-0 for the season.

Alabama went into hostile Knoxville and once again came away with a win, as the Crimson Tide knocked off the Vols 17-13 in a key SEC showdown. The unbeaten Crimson Tide was an underdog to the 3-3 Vols, due to the Tide's lackluster wins, but Alabama proved once again that the only thing that counts is the scoreboard.

Auburn's Coach Terry Bowden said last week that if 11-0 wasn't good enough to win a national championship, maybe 22-0 would be. It sounded strange since the Tigers were getting ready to play Florida; however, Auburn proved the coach right as it stunned the #1 Gators and left Florida's usual big-talking Steve Spurrier speechless in the swamp. Auburn does have a very favorable schedule and could go undefeated again, but unless

some of the other unbeaten, like Penn State, Colorado, Alabama or Nebraska slip up, the Tigers could find themselves all dressed up with no where to go, for the second straight year.

POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR REMAINS CONFIDENT

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator had another excellent week last week and was very confident when he stopped by Sunday afternoon and stated that his totals of last week (31-3) moved him to an outstanding 246-47 for the year. He did mention how clear his crystal ball was and hinted that he may have to use it pretty soon, but insisted that this week's picks were his own. Here's what the local guesstert predicted...

ELBA VS. LUVERNE

The tables have turned since last season and you know the Tigers of Crenshaw County can't wait to take a big bite out of the Tigers from Coffee County. Luverne has two good backs, and Elba has a way of making good backs look great; however, when Elba and Luverne get together the records mean nothing, and Elba may just find a cure for their ails Friday night against its old nemesis.

ELBA 20, LUVERNE 16

ZION CHAPEL VS. ARITON

The Rebels got off to a fast 4-1 start and were talking about the playoffs, but have been outscored 74-0 in the past two weeks and this week face undefeated Arion. If the same band of Rebels that showed up early in the season make the trip to Arion it could be close, if not, it could get ugly.

ARITON 49, ZION CHAPEL 0

NEW BROCKTON VS. KINSTON

Two teams in bad need of a win meet this week in a key Area matchup and the Bulldogs must win to keep any state playoff hopes alive. The Gamecocks have a stable of running backs that can run up and down the field, while the Bulldogs play grind-em out football and must overpower their opponents. Speed kills!

NEW BROCKTON 26, KINSTON 7

SPORTS

Elba challenges Luverne for title

Class 3A, Area 4 crown on the line

The Class 3A, Area 4 football championship and the homefield advantage in the state playoffs will be on the line Friday night when the Elba Tigers travel to Luverne to battle the Luverne Tigers.

Elba will bring an unimpressive, but deceptive 1-5 record into the annual grudge match, while Luverne will enter the game with a 4-3 record.

The Tigers, of Coach Butch Norman, opened the season with wins over 4A Ashford 33-8 and 2A Goshen 21-7, before dropping three straight games to 5A Charles Henderson 28-14, 2A Goshen 19-0 and 2A Brantley 13-6. In the last two weeks Luverne has rallied; however, and has exploded on offense with wins over 2A Highland Home 36-29 and 5A Andalusia 48-0.

"Luverne has an excellent football team with tremendous speed and an aggressive defense," said Elba's Coach Mack Wood. "Coach Norman struggled last season a little in his first year as head coach, but this season the players believe in what he is trying to do and the results are obvious. Luverne is back after a short absence, and is back with a vengeance."

"On offense," stated Wood, "they do pretty much all Elba's Luverne teams have done in the past. It is run the veer, the belly and the belly option. They have a smart quarterback that does a good job running the offense and two running backs that break one at any time from anywhere on the field. They scored 41 points in the first half against Andalusia, and that should tell 'ya what kind of offense they have."

"Over on defense," added Wood, "they are hard to figure out and seem to line up all over the field. They still fire off the ball real low up front, but use their speed to get to the football from the linebacker and secondary spots. The defense gave up 29 points to Highland Home, but shut-out Andalusia last week. So, their defense has obviously figured some things out."

"If anyone thinks Luverne isn't any good because of what they did last year," said Wood, "they are badly mistaken. Luverne is now settled into the type of team Coach Norman wants it to be and the wins speak for themselves. They have lost to some mighty good football teams, and have played well in every game they've played. Luverne is for real and is just as good as ever."

"If we are going to have any chance at winning Friday night we'll have to play well in all areas and play four solid quarters of hard-nosed football," stated Coach Wood. "On offense we'll have to be balanced and at the same time establish our running game, both inside and

BRANTLEY VS. HIGHLAND HOME

Brantley played its best game of the season last week in clubbing Sloccomb and seems to be primed for the playoffs, while the Squadron has shown it can fly high at times and has an explosive backfield. These two are cross-country rivals, but Friday night the Bulldogs won't take any mercy on their neighbors from the north.

BRANTLEY 44, HIGHLAND HOME 14

OTHER PICKS:

Nottawigama 27, Autaugaaville 12, T.R. Miller 21, Hixson 10, Pike Co. 21, Ch. Henderson 14, Blount 20, Abbeville 0, Greenville 42, Andalusia 0, Russell Co. 21, Eufaula 14, Etowah 34, Emma Sanson 6, Bibb Co. 21, Sylacauga 0, Stanhope Elmore 21, Wetumpka 7, Auburn 24, Carroll 14, Enterprise 28, Carver 8, Jeff Davis 21, Selma 0, Dubois 24, Lanier 14, R.E. Lee 17, Berry 7, Murphy 31, McGill-Toolen 6, Central, Tusc. 21, Prattville 10, Vigor 45, Satsima 0.

The loss dropped New Brockton's record to 2-5, 0-2 in Area 3. New Brockton kicked off to open the game, but got the ball right back on a McKenzie punt, and wasted little time taking an early lead as the Gamecocks marched 45 yards in five plays to reach payoff!

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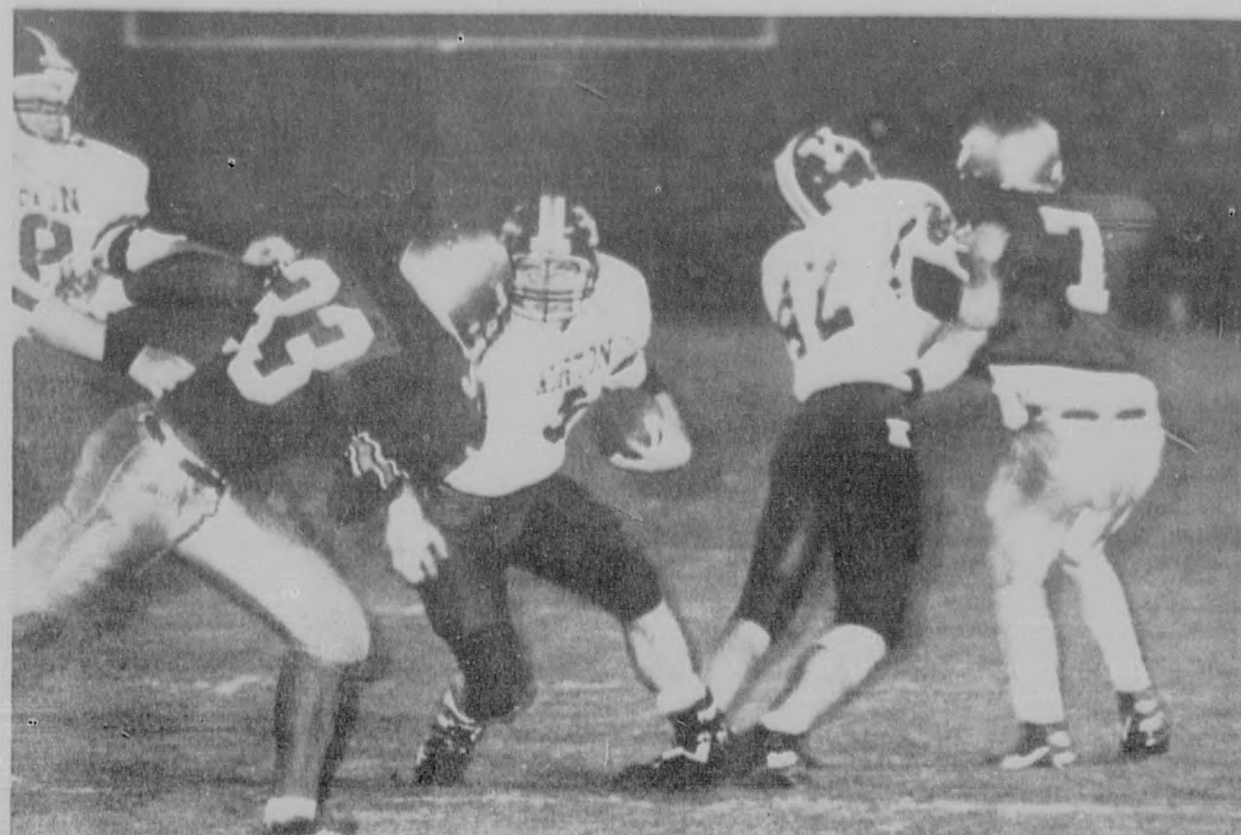
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Coffee Springs dumps 'Dogs 19-12 Kinston victory drought continues



Kinston's Michael Simmons (5) cuts inside the block of Jason Wambles (42) and prepares to make a cut on a 14-yard touchdown run for the Bulldogs last week against Coffee Springs.



Kinston's Jason Wambles comes up fast to stop a Coffee Springs running back. Wambles made 10 tackles in the 19-12 loss to the Golden Bears and will lead the Bulldogs this week against county rival New Brockton.

Zion Chapel losing streak reaches two games as Wicksburg clubs Rebs 35-0

By Cade Shiver, Sportswriter

The Rebels of Zion Chapel traveled to Wicksburg last Friday night to hunt Panthers and for the second straight week were dominated by a much stronger and faster team as the Panthers clamed the Rebels 35-0.

Zion Chapel held the high-powered Panther offense on its first possession and then showed signs of life by moving out to midfield, only to see disaster strike as the snap on a ZC punt sailed over the head of the Rebels punter and was recovered by Wicksburg at the Rebel 22-yardline.

Two plays later the Panthers were in the endzone on a 22-yard pass play and with 4:10 left in the first quarter Wicksburg was ahead to stay at 7-0.

Wicksburg began its next series at its own 20-yardline and behind the running of Jamel Harris quickly moved to the Rebel 15, only to see the Rebel defense stiffen and stop the threat at the 10-yardline.

The Panthers began their next series at the ZC 41-yardline following a quick-kick on third down, and this time marched back into the endzone, with Jamel Harris getting the score on a 10-yard run to increase the Wicksburg advantage to 14-0 with 6:11 left in the half.

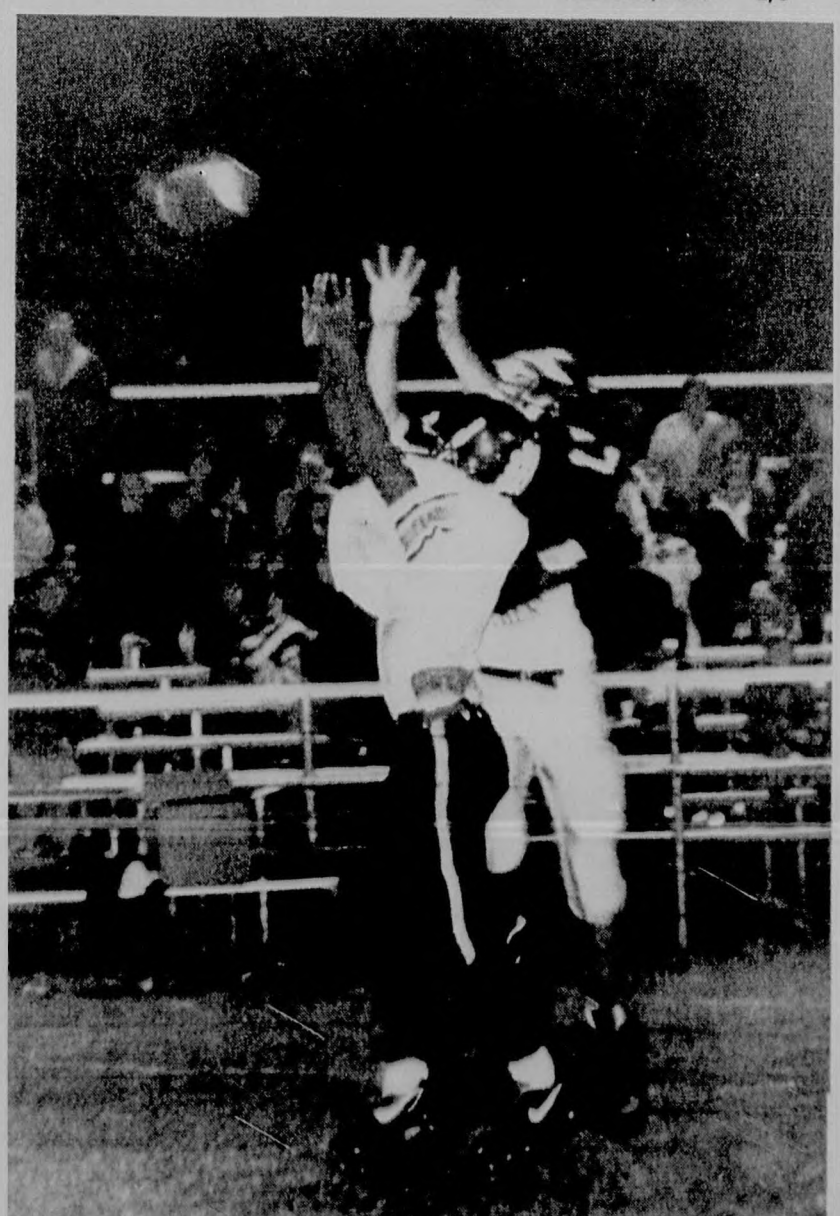
The Rebels turned the ball over on a fumble at the Zion Chapel 33-yardline on their next possession, and once again the Panthers headed toward paydirt, as Jamel Harris broke loose on the first play from scrimmage and ramblod 35 yards for the score. The extra-point was successful, and with 4:11 left in the half Wicksburg had taken control with a 21-0 lead.

A Rebel punt gave the ball back to the Panthers late in the half at the Wicksburg 25-yardline, and the Panthers scored once again before the end of the half.

A 48-yard pass was a big play in the scoring drive, while the 10 came with :34 left on the clock when Jamel Harris scored on a 4-yard jaunt, and at the half the Panthers went in with a 29-0 advantage.

Wicksburg put the icing on the cake on its initial possession of the second half as the Panthers marched

STATISTICS			
ZC		1st	W
3	1st Downs	15	
106	Rushing Yds.	307	
0	Passing Yds.	57	
106	Total Offense	364	
1-8-0	Passes	4-9-0	
10	Penalty Yds.	45	
0/0	Fumbles/Lost	2/1	



A Zion Chapel defensive back leaps high to break up a pass during the Rebels loss last week to Wicksburg.

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Kinston Bulldogs saw their victory drought continue last week as the Coffee Springs Golden Bears celebrated homecoming with a 19-12 win over the visiting Bulldogs.

The loss dropped Kinston's record to 1-6, while Coffee Springs improved to 2-3 with the win.

Coffee Springs played keep-away in the opening two quarters as the Golden Bears controlled the ball for almost eighteen minutes and allowed the Bulldogs only two offensive possessions.

Coffee Springs received the opening kick and held the ball for nine minutes as the Bears put together a 16 play drive that covered 71 yards.

The Bears, behind the running of George Reese, drove to a first down at the Kinston 13-yardline, but a big hit on an option by the Bulldogs' Jason Wambles on third down left the Bears facing a fourth and five, and on the crucial fourth down play Kinston's Jeremy Osborn made an open-field tackle on Tony Simmons to turn back the Coffee Springs march.

Coffee Springs got the football right back on a Bulldog punt, and this time drove 55-yards in 13 plays to get on the scoreboard.

A big play in the scoring drive came on third down and 17, when Kinston was hit with a 15-yard penalty for a late hit, while the touchdown came on a 1-yard sneak by quarterback Tony Simmons. Jason Green added the extra-point, and with 2:03 left in the first half Coffee Springs was on top 7-0.

Kinston's offense was determined to stay on the field on its second possession and behind the running of Jason Wambles and the passing of Steven Davis drove to a first down at the Coffee Springs 22-yardline with :22 left in the half.

The Bulldogs were forced to go to the air with the clock winding down; however, and Davis was sacked on two straight plays as Coffee Springs went in at the half with the 7-0 lead.

Kinston failed to move the chains on its first series of the second half, but got an early break when a short 18-yard punt hit a Coffee Springs blocker, and the Bulldogs' Jonathan Spears recovered the fumble at the Bear 36-yardline.

An 11-yard pass from Steven Davis to Cornelius Tillis gave Kinston a first down at the Coffee Springs 23, and three plays later, on fourth down and one, Michael Simmons took a pitchout, cut back, and raced 14 yards untouched for a touchdown.

Kinston's extra-point try sailed wide by inches, as Coffee Springs remained on top 7-6 with 5:45 left in the third quarter.

Coffee Springs took the ensuing kick and needed only five plays to drive 60 yards for a Golden Bear touchdown.

A swing pass from Tony Simmons to Bobby Mitchell turned into a 52-yard gain when Mitchell was able to turn the corner on the Kinston secondary, while the score came when Simmons scrambled away from a fierce Bulldog pass-rush and found Paul Stevens open in the corner of the endzone on a 5-yard TD strike.

Jonathan Spears blocked the extra-point try, but Coffee Springs had increased its lead to 13-6 with 2:50 remaining in the third stanza.

Coffee Springs threatened to add to its lead on its next possession as the Bears marched to a first down at the Kinston 34-yardline, but the Bulldog defense stiffened, and outstanding defensive plays by Jason Wambles and Michael Simmons turned back the Golden Bear threat.

A pass interception by the Bears' Paul Stevens gave the football right back to Coffee Springs at the Kinston 42-yardline and set up the Bears third touchdown of the game.

Chris Lane moved the Bears in close with three carries for 18 yards, while a key play in the drive was a 12-yard scramble by Tony Simmons



Kinston Drum Majorette Denise Ward directs the Bulldog band during halftime festivities Friday night.



Kinston's Chad Tyler (left) pulled double-duty Friday night as he played with the Bulldog football team and at halftime performed with the Marching Bulldog band.

on third down and seven, with 1:36 left on the clock. Simmons got the touchdown after he fumbled the snap from center, picked up the loose ball and sprinted 9-yards up the middle. The extra-point try was blocked by Cornelius Tillis and Anthony Jones, but with only 1:21 left in the game Coffee Springs was in command with a 19-6 advantage.

Kinston had one final chance to put more points on the scoreboard, and did just that, as on third down and 20, on the final play of the game, Steven Davis lofted a pass toward Jason Wambles that was tipped by a defender, into the arms of Donny Day, who raced 69 yards for a score. The extra-point try was not attempted, leaving the final score Coffee Springs 19 Kinston 12.

Jason Wambles gained 55 yards on 13 carries and Michael Simmons added 26 yards on 6 carries to lead the Kinston running game, while George Reese gained 79 yards on 26 carries and Tony Simmons added 50 yards on 9 carries for the Bears.

Jonathan Spears, Matt Sumblin, Jeremy Mack and Anthony Jones were all credited with 10 tackles to lead the Kinston defense.

STATISTICS			
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9	1st Downs	14	
85	Rushing Yds.	182	
98	Passing Yds.	57	
183	Total Offense	239	
4-9-1	Passes	2-4-0	
1/0	Fumbles/Lost	3/1	
2-25	Punts-Ave.	0-00	
35	Penalty Yds.	25	

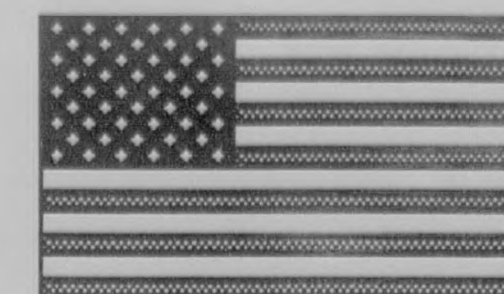
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OPEN LETTER TO THE VOTERS OF ELBA

My name is Garreth Moore and I am running for the District 91 (Coffee County) seat in the Alabama House of Representatives on the Republican ticket. In this election the voters of Coffee County will make decisions that will determine the future of our state as well as our county. We are in perilous times.

The business climate in Alabama is such that new industry is afraid of locating here. This is due to the fact that they face the real possibility of losing everything with the out of control punitive damage awards. We are also losing businesses already here for these same reasons. As an example, Life of Georgia, which has sold insurance in Alabama for over 100 years recently announced plans to pull out. This is a direct result of a \$15 million judgement against them in our state.

The trial lawyers in our state are the largest advocate of the status quo. They control a great deal of what is happening at the state level where the laws are written. They do this by spending large sums of money to fund the campaigns of legislators they deem to be friendly to their cause. They also fund the campaigns of certain judges that are charged with the responsibility of interpreting the laws. This system, incredulous as it may seem, is the root cause of what is wrong with the business climate in Alabama.

As a businessman who has made many payrolls over the last 15 years, I fully understand this problem. I pledge to you, the voters of Coffee County, not to be influenced by these anti-business forces. We must change the status quo in Alabama. We have to do this in order to guarantee jobs in this state for our children and our grandchildren.

I humbly ask for your support in the upcoming election so I can go to Montgomery and work to truly change things in our government process.

Thank you for consideration.

Sincerely



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Kindergarten
Shayla Ballard, Brock Barlette, Steven Caldwell, Ashley Forehand, Charlie Horcus, Blake Johnson, Tiffany Jordan, Hannah Jowers, Robert Sanders, Brittany Thomason.

First Grade
Amanda Brown, Joshua Driver, Jessica Fuller, Tinell Harrison, Josh Holman, Brittany Hunko, Lee McCrummen, Casey Mack, Matthew Odom, Candace Patterson, Ramsey Phillips.

Second Grade
Kontora Edwards, Breann Hattaway, Kristen Hunt, Billy Johnson, Amy Mascolo, Cole Moore, Brittany Scofield, Ramsi Smith, Lacy Sullivan, Lee Watson.

Third Grade
Scott Ballard, Eric Bowdoin, Brad Bradley, Shawn Brandley, Ashley Creech, Jeremy Driver, Shae Farris,

Mykel Germany, Jonathan Hattaway, Michael Hattaway, Daniel Holman, Tony Johnson, Ross Kelley, Haley Kilcrease, Amanda Lashley, Blake Phillips, Mary Roughton, Ashley Rushing, Adam Martinielli, Hollis Odom, Amber Jill Pritchard, Chris Rhodes, Tommy Townsend, Amy Walker, Doug Wilkerson, Amy Wilks, Jason Wood.

Fourth Grade
Jay Barlette, Jim Bedsole, Matt Blue, Paul Camley, Shaun Herring, Allen Holley, Ashley Johnson, Jamie Johnson, Geneva Legaspi, Matthew McInnis, Jason McInnis, Jeremiah Parker, Mary Scofield, Charles Stallings, Graham Weeks, Sloane Weeks, Lee Whigham, Tara Williams.

Fifth Grade
Ryan Anderson, Brad Boykin, Ben Bradley, A.J. Camley, Rachel Collins, Becky Dault, Skyley Drury, Bryan Ellis, April Hawthorne, Deke Hawthorne, Lee Holley, Ashley Hunko, Susie Johnson, Jason Long, Will Mack, Nikki Moore, Brandi Nelson, Patrick Nelson, Cody Sam-

son, Donnie Sansom.

Sixth Grade
Ashley Cauley, Dee Dee Crabtree, Jason Farris, Jessica Kelley, Nicole Lashley, Adam Martinielli, Hollis Odom, Amber Jill Pritchard, Chris Rhodes, Tommy Townsend, Amy Walker, Doug Wilkerson, Amy Wilks, Jason Wood.

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Second Grade
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Third Grade

Bryan Carpenter, Jeremy Driver, Courtney Farris, Shae Farris, Jonathan Hattaway, Whitney Herring, Katie Kelley, Ross Kelley, Megan King, Amanda Lashley, Tommy Loupe, Bridgett Marlowe, Tyler Mock, Blake Phillips, Ashley Rushing, Hannah Seay, Lacey Sherwood, Hillary Sumblin, Samantha Wambles, Crystal Weeks, Ben Wise.

Fourth Grade

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Fifth Grade

Ryan Anderson, Donnie Busby, Melanie Dean, Bryan Ellis, Cody Sanson.

Sixth Grade

Jessica Kelley, Hollis Odom, Jason Wood.

"B" HONOR ROLL

Second Grade
Courtney Stanley.

Third Grade

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Fourth Grade

Ben Bradley, Becky Dault, Skyley Drury, Rachel Grimes, April Hawthorne, Lee Holley, Jeff Hughes, Ashley Hunko, Jason Long, Will Mack, Ashley Nelson, Patrick Nelson, Tim Norsworthy, Courtney Sanson, Justin White, Shannon Winters, Jeremy Wise.

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News Among Our Service Folks

PAUL J. FONTENOT

Air Force Reserve Staff Sgt. Paul J. Fontenot has graduated from the tactical aircraft maintenance specialist course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas. Students were taught aircraft maintenance fundamentals of repairing and servicing aircraft with turbo engines. Maintenance management and documentation were also taught for the assessment of aircraft readiness capability. Fontenot is the stepson of Eric M. Bradshaw of Rural Route 4, Elba. He is a 1984 graduate of Elba High School.

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This latest compliance review was evaluated in over 400 stores. It is a follow-up to an earlier program in which six Alabama counties were randomly selected where 100 restaurants, pharmacies, motels, gasoline stations, grocery stores, and convenience stores were targeted with underage youth who attempted tobacco purchases. State law prohibits the sale of tobacco to persons under the age of 19.

"We're very pleased with the response to our awareness program," commented Michael Sawyer, Assistant Administrator with the ABC Board. "This has been a collaborative effort between law enforcement, state agencies, retail merchants and citizens—and we're beginning to see positive results."

The compliance review program has been conducted through the combined resources of the ABC Board, the Alabama Department of Public Health, and the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Retardation. A poster/letter campaign to merchants throughout Alabama launched the program in August. Plans are to continue random compliance checks into 1995.

"These recent figures are encouraging, but we will be back," said Sawyer. "This will be a continuing program and a key element in our enforcement of this law."

According to officials with the ABC Board and the Department of Public Health, successful compliance with the law relies on checking IDs of purchasers. Studies show that 98% of the time when IDs are checked, the purchaser is, in fact, underage. When IDs are not checked, clerks will sell to underage purchasers 70% of the time.

State Health Officer, Dr. Don Williamson, commented that, "The

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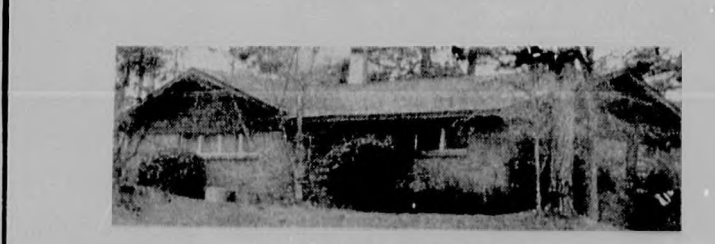
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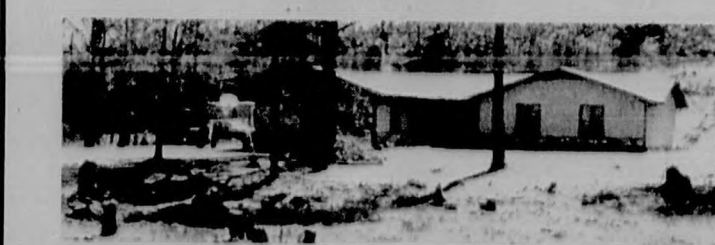
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Elba City Council handles one touchy subject

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The Elba City Council handled one touchy subject Monday evening and answered the call as one voice.

A rezoning question which has upset a number of those involved on either side of the issue was presented to the council for a decision.

A room full of emotional objections were more than Roland and Patsy Powell could overcome. The council denied their application to rezone some property for them at the intersection of Tucker Street and Martin Luther King Drive.

They had requested the property be rezoned from R-3 to R-4. Mr. Powell had previously told both the zoning board and the zoning board of adjustments that he wanted to place four mobile homes on the property.

Monday night Powell told the city council and the protesters that he had already placed three of the \$20,000 homes he had purchased. He said he was only asking for the rezoning now in case he later had a request from someone to place a mobile home on the property.

The objections were basically the same as were expressed at the October 13th meeting of the zoning board.

Area residents didn't want any

more rental units in the neighborhood; didn't want any more trailers in the area; complained about the noise already in the area, etc.

Powell pointed out to those present that the property was already zoned R-3, which would allow him to build as many apartment units there as he wanted to build.

No action was taken, however Mayor Ricky Haywood recommended the council explore methods of paying the \$15,000 to \$20,000 cost of the work before voting to proceed.

One more item of business dealt with the zoning board. Beverly Tindol had been appointed to a five year term, however she recently notified city officials she didn't know she was going to be appointed and didn't feel she could serve. Haywood asked council members to be ready with other recommendations at a later meeting.

Personal attorney bills for Haywood were tabled at a recent meeting and he asked the council to take the matter from the table. However it was pointed out to him that the minutes reflected the matter was tabled until November 1st. No further action was taken on this item. These were bills relating to the wrongful firing lawsuits settled earlier.

Pending bills for Attorney Jack

was seconded by council member Bill Brunson. Council member Earl McCollough abstained because of family ties but all five other officials approved the motion not to rezone the property.

The council immediately heard a report from Chuck Robinson with a proposal to rewrite and update the Elba zoning ordinances.

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son W. Stokes were again discussed. City Attorney Mark Vaughan was asked to get the bills and advise the council at the next meeting. Vaughan agreed but laughed and said he felt all attorneys in Elba should be paid (Vaughan has several thousand dollars of fees for city services performed he is awaiting payment for).

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Council votes to borrow \$15,000.00

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A special called meeting of the Elba City Council was held Wednesday, October 19th. John W. Sharpless and Bill Brunson were absent.

Mayor Ricky Haywood told the council members they had to make a \$15,000 payment Friday (October 21st) on the James Simmons wrongful firing lawsuit settlement. He noted that if this payment wasn't made on time, the entire balance would become due and payable.

City Clerk Henry Clark addressed the council with the financial needs for the balance of 1994. He said they would need to borrow \$149,976.02 to pay obligations through December 31st.

This included the \$15,000 the 21st, and one more payment on December 5th to Simmons, one payment of \$15,000 in the Ricky Mullaz settlement, \$18,601.02 in overdue attorney bills and a bond payment of

\$86,375 due December 1st.

Clark said he and the bookkeeper felt they could manage the lawsuit settlements due in 1995.

The council, on motion by member Gladys Yelverton, agreed to borrow the \$15,000 needed Friday, "if no other money are available to make the payment."

Mrs. Yelverton noted she really didn't want to approve that borrowing, but "don't guess we have a choice." She explained her desire to have all council members present before approving the additional borrowing.

Clark had told the council he was expecting a \$53,000 check from FEMA and a \$20 to \$25 thousand check from the State of Alabama but neither had arrived.

Funds did arrive before Friday and Clark later told council members he didn't have to borrow the \$15,000.

Haywood released a resolution establishing a Budget & Finance

committee. Council members Brad Wilson, Bill Brunson and Earl McCollough are assigned to this committee.

Their duties will include monthly budget assessments with written and oral monthly reports to the council.

Studies and proposals for increased revenue and more efficient spending and designation of one member to work closely with the city clerk to accomplish day to day activities in a fashion expedient and beneficial to normal operations.

Results of criminal court

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

On Tuesday, October 11, the Criminal Jury Docket for the Elba Division of Coffee County had eight cases scheduled for trial, but in the end none were tried.

The following are the cases that were set for trial and the results in each case.

State of Alabama vs. Joseph D. Creel

Creel was charged with two offenses of homicide by vehicle and one offense of assault in the second degree. Circuit Judge Robert W. Barr declared a mistrial.

State of Alabama vs. Ed Ware

Ware was charged with two offenses of unlawful possession of a controlled substance - cocaine. He pleaded guilty to both charges and was sentenced to 15 years in the state penitentiary on each offense. In addition to the sentence, Ware was ordered to pay \$50 to the Alabama Crime Victims Compensation Commission and \$40 restitution.

State of Alabama vs. Bernard Miller

Miller was charged with two counts of unlawful distribution of cocaine. He pleaded guilty to both offenses before the case was tried. The judge sentenced Miller to 15 years in the state penitentiary for each offense.

State of Alabama vs. Wayne Stewart

Stewart was charged with the possession of cocaine. His case was continued.

A special term of criminal circuit court has been scheduled for November 28, 1994.

Danny Belcher, AKA: Petie Belcher was charged with the unlawful distribution of marijuana. The case was continued to the next term of criminal court.

State of Alabama vs. Kenya Kenyatta Adkins

Adkins was charged with discharging a firearm into an occupied dwelling. The case was continued to the next term of court.

State of Alabama vs. James Ellis Beckworth

Beckworth was charged with sexual abuse in the first degree - enticing a child to enter a vehicle. A motion from the prosecution to dismiss the charges at this time, was granted by the court.

State of Alabama vs. Lorenzo Deloach, AKA: Peabody

Deloach was charged with the distribution of cocaine. He entered a guilty plea and was sentenced to 15 years in the state penitentiary. The judge suspended all but 2 years of the sentence. In addition to the sentence, Deloach was ordered to pay \$50 to the Alabama Crime Victims Compensation Commission, \$40 restitution and reimburse the state for attorney fees.

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11 DAYS UNTIL ELECTION DAY

DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING TO VOTE IN THE NOV. 8 GENERAL ELECTION IS 4:00 P.M. FRIDAY (TOMORROW) OCT. 28

ALL CANDIDATES MUST FILE FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT REPORT DURING FILING PERIOD OF OCT. 28 & NOV. 3



VOCAL CHAPTER ORGANIZED IN ELBA. During the past few weeks, a group of individuals concerned about crime victims' rights has been at work organizing a VOCAL (Victims Of Crime And Leniency) chapter for this area. Although the chapter is in Coffee County the membership will not be limited to only Coffee County residents. In September, Miriam Shehane, who founded the organization, and Darlene Hutchison, vice president of VOCAL statewide, met with the group and provided them with the history, facts about VOCAL and the victims' rights movement, and explained the requirements of a chapter. Last Thursday evening, the group met and elected officers for the new chapter. They are pictured above (l-r): Salome Wilson, fundraiser chairman; Bama Whitehead, vice-president; De-trect Skinner, president; Shawn Young, secretary; Sandra Jordan, treasurer; and Danny Jordan, publicity chairman. The new chapter will meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month and alternate between Elba and Enterprise. For information of VOCAL membership, contact Danny or Sandra Jordan at 897-6896.

Discussion in county commission meeting centers around garbage

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

The recent bi-monthly meetings of the Coffee County Commission are beginning to fall within a reasonable time frame from start to finish.

However, Monday's meeting came close to becoming lengthy when the agenda addressed trash.

A New Hope resident, Mrs. Mildred Carter, told commissioners:

"People like me don't have a lot of garbage! We don't need to pay \$9 a month for something we don't really need."

Mrs. Carter stated that she did not generate very much garbage during the month and certainly not enough for weekly pick-up.

She told commissioners that she had always carried her garbage to the landfill (the old landfill) and would like to continue doing so.

In presenting her case to the commissioners, Mrs. Carter also informed them that she has had numerous phone calls from other people expressing their displeasure with the garbage fees and mandatory garbage collection.

She referred to a recent "letter to the editor" that she had written to, and was printed in, a local newspaper.

per. The cost places a hardship on elderly folks living on a fixed income. We don't need these kind of rules put on us!" said Carter.

She, at one point during her presentation, told commissioners that she was told by the enforcement officer that she could lose her house if she did not pay the garbage collection fee.

The county's enforcement officer was not present at Monday's commission meeting.

Commission Chairman Lawrence Creel attempted to explain to Mrs. Carter that the commission had tried - in relation to solid waste disposal - to "do what was best for all of Coffee County."

Both commissioners Bernest Brooks and Bill Faulk asked Mrs. Carter if she had applied for an exemption or a rate adjustment with the Coffee County Health Department.

The health department is the local agency responsible for the enforcement of the laws concerning mandatory disposal of solid waste.

Mrs. Carter stated that she didn't

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Trick or Treat
For The City of Elba
The Town Set For
Monday, October 28, 1994
Between The Hours Of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
MOTORISTS ARE URGED TO BE CAREFUL

As Of This Sunday Morning, The Rooster Crows An Hour Later



A timely reminder to all of our friends: Be sure to set your clocks back one hour when you go to bed Saturday night, October 29th. Time officially changes at 2 a.m. Sunday morning.

MISS ELBA ROBYN RHOADES will represent Elba on Saturday, October 29, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. in the Miss National Peanut Festival at the Dothan Civic Center. Robyn is the daughter of Myrna Rhoades and Jim Rhoades, both of Elba, AL.